

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-3, 5-8 and 10-27 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 7, 8 and 10-21 are amended, claims 4 and 9 are canceled and claims 26 and 27 are added. Support for the amended claims can be found throughout the originally filed specification and drawings. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Office Action indicates that claims 1-6 and 22-25 contain allowable subject matter. The indication of allowable subject matter is acknowledged with appreciation.

The Office Action objects to claims 1-6 and 22-25 because the preamble of these claims allegedly lacks the phrase “the method comprising.” By this amendment, claim 1 has been amended as suggested in the Office Action. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

The Office Action also objects to claim 4 as not further limiting the method recited in claim 1. By this amendment, claim 4 is canceled.

The Office Action rejects claims 7-21 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly not enabled. By this amendment, independent claims 7 and 16 have been amended to obviate this rejection. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that additional changes are required to place the

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application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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